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FM AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6470

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AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

AMEMBASSY PRAGUE

AMEMBASSY Y SOFIA

AMEMBASSY WARSAW

AMCONSUL ZAGREB

UNCLAS BUCHAREST 0578

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SUBJECT: CULTURAL PRESENTATIONS: LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC
ORCHESTRA STATE

REF: STATE 022606, BUCHAREST 0521, BUCHAREST 0448

1. EMBASSY HAS WORKED OUT VERY REASONABLE AND FIRM DEAL WITH
PANAM FOR LAPO TRANSPORT AND AWAITS GOR RESPONSE MOMENTARILY.
BEST BET IS THAT ARIA AND COUNCIL WILL ACCEPT FOLLOWING TERMS:

A. PANAM 727 WILL FLY ORCHESTRA WITH SOME OR ALL PERSONAL
BAGGAGE FROM WARSAW TO BUCHAREST AND FROM BUCHAREST TO ZAGREB
FOR TOTAL COST OF DOLS 15,008, PAYABLE IN LEI AT 12 TO 1 RATE.
BELGRADE WOULD IREIMBURSE ARIA IN DINARS FOR BUCHAREST-ZAGREB
LEG. SINCE THE TWO LEGS ROUGHLY EQUAL IN AIR MILEAGE, COST TO
ARIA WOULD BE DOLS 7,500 OR 90 ,000 LEI.

3. TAROM WOULD PROVIDE ILYUSHIN-18 TURBO-PROP TO FLY ORCHESTRA
PROPERTIES FROM WARSAW TO BUCHAREST AT APPROXIMATE COST OF
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DOLS 2,880 BRINGING COMBINED TOTAL FOR TWO AIRCRAFT ON WARSAW-
BUCHAREST LEG TO DOLS 10,380. IF YUGOSLAVS WILL OKAY LANDING
RIGHTS FOR TAROM IN ZAGREB, TAROM COULD ALSO TRANSPORT PROPERTIES
ON THAT LEG, WITH BELGRADE AGAIN PAYING COSTS.

4. PANAM 727 WOULD DEPART WARSAW AT 1700 NOVEMBER 28, ARRIVING
BUCHAREST AT 1935; IT WOULD LEAVE BUCHAREST AT 1540 DECEMBER 1
AND ARRIVE IN ZAGREB AT 1605.

5. EMBASSY HAS OFFERED TO PAY ARIA DOLS 5,000 OF TOTAL DOLS 10,380
TRANSPORT COSTS, OR IF ARRANGEMENT WITH BELGRADE FOR DINAR
REIMBURSEMENT WORKS OUT, THUS REDUCING ARIA COSTS BECAUSE OF
FAVORABLE DINAR CONVERSION, EMBASSY WOULD PAY NO MORE THAN
HALF OF ARIA'S NET COSTS.

6. IN TELCON WITH AMEMBASSY BELGRADE SATURDAY, CAO MCBRIDE
WELCOMED PANAM OFFER AND THOUGHT YUGOSLAV IMPRESARIO WOULD
RESPOND ENTHUSIASTICALLY. HE FORESAW NO PROBLEMS WITH ARRANGEMENT
FOR BELGRADE TO REIMBURSE ARIA IN DINARS FOR BUCHAREST-ZAGREB
LEG, BUT COULDN'T RESOLVE IMMEDIATELY QUESTION OF TAROM LANDING
RIGHTS IN ZAGREB.

7. WILL ADVISE DEPT AND BELGRADE SOONEST OF ARIA/COUNCIL
DECISION.
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